



Saguaro National Park (West)

Naturalist Program Schedule

Programs meet at the Red Hills Visitor Center, 2700 N. Kinney Road, and last 30 to 45 minutes, unless noted otherwise. Program schedules are subject to change. Call the visitor center at (520) 733-5158 for updates. See www.nps.gov/sagu for other programs. *Programs marked with an * are wheelchair accessible.*

April 26 – May 2, 2010

Tuesday – April 27

11:45 a.m. They're Mining Our National Park?? *Slide Program**

No, but they did before it became a National Park. If you are interested in the mining in this region and other local history, join us for this program.

2:15 p.m. Meet the Cuckoo of the Desert *Illustrated Talk**

Learn about the natural history, behaviors and fascinating facts about this colorful creature: the Roadrunner.

Wednesday – April 28

8:15 p.m. Moonrise Over the Mountains *Night Patio Talk**

This campfire talk on the patio of the Red Hills Visitor Center provides a relaxing view of the full moon as it rises above the cactus forest. Bring a lawn chair and warm clothing.

Thursday – April 29

2:15 p.m. Synergy in the Desert: The Sonoran Habitat *Illustrated Talk + 50 yard Walk**

For all of life, “the whole is greater than the sum of the parts” is true. The iconic Saguaro is the focal point for a discussion of how the parts of the Sonoran Desert work together to create a rich living desert that is unique in the world.

Saturday – May 1

11:45 a.m. Road Kill! Why Did the Chicken Cross the Road? *Patio Talk**

National Parks and others work to put a stop on road kill. Find out the extent of the problem and how you can help.

2:15 p.m. Neighborhood Characters *Easy 100 yard Walk**

See if you recognize plant versions of your friends and relatives as you take a 30-minute nature walk in the Red Hills Visitors Center neighborhood.

3:15 p.m. The CCC and its impact on Saguaro National Park *Illustrated Talk**

The Civilian Conservation Corps was a Depression-era work program that had a great influence on National, State, and County parks throughout the Nation. Saguaro's trails, picnic areas, and scenic drives were established during this program. A brief history of the CCC in this area will be illustrated with old photo images and movie clips.

Sunday – May 2

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